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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Charles E. Steffens Jr. et al.

Serial No. : 10/760,439

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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
HELPING TO PROTECT AN  
OCCUPANT OF A VEHICLE

Art Unit : 3616

Examiner : David R. Dunn

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.